

Harper's Helpful Hints

Entering data into the Site/Pedon portion of NASIS is a tedious task. However, the results are well worth the work. Once all of your TUDs have been entered and linked to the corresponding DMU and Legend/Mapunit, using the VA Site/Pedon Data Entry Guide, the data entry of the different phases of the series does not take as long. This short procedure will help by not having to reenter data (i.e. Taxonomy).

- 1) Enter the TUD for the series in your county into the Site/Pedon portion in NASIS using the Site/Pedon entry guide. Be sure all links are made according to the guide, and all possible data has been entered.
- 2) Next copy the Site of the TUD and paste it for each of the different phases or additional pedons you wish to enter.
- 3) Change all the site data needed for each phase as necessary.(i.e. Lat. Long., slope, aspect, location description, etc.)
- 4) Change the **Site Mapunit Overlap** by changing the **Mapunit symbol**.
- 5) Under the **Site Observation**, fix the observation date and **Atlas Sheet #**.
- 6) **SAVE!!!**
- 7) As in #2 above, now copy the TUD and paste it for each of the different phases or additional pedons you wish to enter.
- 8) Change the **User Site ID** to match or click on choice.
- 9) You will have an ***ERROR*** message, click on it and then **CHOICE** to select the correct site.
- 10) Go to the corresponding DMU and select **Component Pedon**. Click **CHOICE** and choose the corresponding pedon. Be sure to put a **yes** in the **RV** cell.
- 11) Now you have linked the newly copied pedons. All you need to do now is change the Pedon Horizon data for the appropriate MU and be sure to change the diagnostic feature depths.